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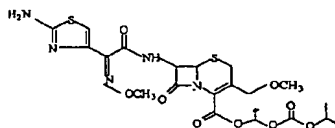
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(57) Abstract: A process for the preparation of cefpodoxime proxetil of formula (I), of high purity conforming to pharmacopoeial specifications is disclosed. The process comprises a) adding hydrogen halide to a solution of impure cefpodoxime proxetil in an organic solvent and isolating the hydrohalide salt of cefpodoxime proxetil thus formed, (II) Cefpodoxime hydrohalide salt, and b) dissolving the cefpodoxime hydrohalide salt obtained in the above step in a water-miscible or water-immiscible organic solvent and neutralizing the salt thus formed with a base followed by isolation of cefpodoxime proxetil in pure form.

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